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SUMMARY: FRG CIRCULATED ILLUSTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT OF A MILITARY MANEUVER FOR POST-CSCE PHASE AND ASKED FOR POLADS' REACTIONS BEFORE FRG USED TEXT IN GENEVA. UK REP REPORTED ON REACTIONS TO UK DRAFT RESOLUTION ALONG LINES REFTEL A. END SUMMARY

1. FRG REP IN FEB 19 POLADS MEETING CIRCULATED "ILLUSTRATIVE CONFIDENTIAL

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EXAMPLE OF AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF A LARGER MILITARY MANEUVER."

BEGIN TEXT

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY HAS THE HONOUR, IN ACCORD WITH THE CSCE FINAL DOCUMENT OF ------, TO ANNOUNCE THE MILITARY MANOEUVRE "SUMMER SONG". THE MANOEUVRE "SUMMER SONG", IN WHICH ONLY ARMED FORCES OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY WILL PARTICIPATE, WILL TAKE PLACE IN NIEDERSACHSEN IN THE PERIOD OF 15-30 AUGUST 1975.

NAME OF MANOEUVRE: SUMMER SONG

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: NATIONAL TWO-PARTY EXERCISE OF GROUND

FORCES WITH TACTICAL AIR SUPPORT

PURPOSE OF EXERCISE: OPERATIONAL EXERCISE WITHIN DIVISION

FRAMEWORK

DURATION OF EXERCISE: 15-30 AUGUST 1975

PARTICIPATING FORCES: FIRST ARMOURED INFANTRY DIVISION;

ELEMENTS OF SUPPLY AND SUPPORT TROOPS

OF I. CORPS; ELEMENTS OF 3RD AIR

DIVISION

COMMAND ECHELON: I. CORPS

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONNEL 11.000 MEN

AND 250 TANKS, 3.700 MOTOR VEHICLES

MANOEUVRE EQUIPMENT: 40 AIRCRAFT AND/OR NUMBER OF SORTIES

INITIAL AND FINAL THE UNITS OF GROUND FORCES WILL

LOCATION OF TROOPS: LEAVE THEIR GARRISONS IN THE NIEDER-

SACHSEN UND NORDRHEIN-WESTFALEN AREA, STARTING ON 10 AUGUST 1975 AND WILL RETURN TO GARRISONS NOT LATER THAN 5 SEPTEMBER 1975

TOTAL PERIOD OF ABSENCE FROM GARRISON: 27 DAYS

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- 2. FRG REP REQUESTED REACTIONS OF PLADS, AFTER WHICH THE DOCUMENT WOULD BE FORWARDED TO ALLIED CAUCUS FOR USE IN GENEVA. HE EXPLAINED THAT PHRASE "THE CSCE FINAL DOCUMENT" IN FIRST SENTENCE WAS NOT INTENDED TO PREJUDGE IN ANY WAY SEPARATE ISSUE OF FORM OF CSCE RESULTS.
- 3. GIVING INITIAL REACTION, UK REP STATED THAT DETAILS SUCH AS NUMBER OF TANKS, MOTOR VEHICLES AND AIRCRAFT/ SORTIES EXCEEDED REQUIREMENT OF UK DRAFT RESOLUTION ON ADVANCE NOTIFICATION.
- 4. MILITARY COMMITTEE REP CIRCULATED PAPER (TEXT BY AIRGRAM)

RESPONDING TO EARLIER REQUEST BY POLADS FOR A DEFINITION OF "A DIVISION" AS THRESHOLD FOR ADVANCE NOTIFICATION; PAPER CONCLUDES THAT CRITERION SHOULD BE 10,000 MEN.

5. AS NOTED REF A, UK REP REPORTED THAT SOVIETS HAD BEEN PRIVATELY AIRING REFINED POSITION ON ADVANCE NOTIFICATION IN COVERSATIONS WITH ALLIES. SOVIETS MIGHT BE WILLING TO NOTIFY MANEUVERS WITH MORE THAN 20,000 MEN AND WITHIN 400-500 KM OF SOVIET BORDERS. THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO INCLUDE IN NOTIFICATION THE INFORMATION SPECIFIED IN FIRST SENTENCE OF RELEVANT PARA OF UK DRAFT RESOLUTION (PARA I D OF REF B), BUT NOT INFO IN SECOND SENTNCE. HOWEVER, SOVIETS HAD ALSO STAED TO UK REPS THAT ADVANCE NOTIFICATION MIGHT NOT APPLY TO "ALL THE TERRITORY" OF THEIR WARSAW PACT ALLIES. SOVIETS DID NOT CLARIFY WHAT WAS TO BE EXCLUDED.

6. COMMENT: CBM'S WILL AGAIN BE ON AGENDA FOR FEB 26 POLADS MEETING, AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON QUESTIONS POSED IN REF C. IN ADDITION, WE WILL NEED TO COMMENT ON FRG ILLUSTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT. COMPARING FRG MODEL WITH U.S. ILLUSTRATIVE LIST AS SUBMITTED TO ALLIES IN 1973, WE NOTE THAT FRG IS MORE SPECIFIC ABOUT EQUIPMENT INVOLVED, AND MORE PRECISE ABOUT TIMEFRAME. UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED, WE WOULD PROPOSE TO TAKE SAME LINE AS UK, AND OBSERVE THAT ALLIES MITH NOT WISH TO PROVIDE INFORMATION BEYOND WHAT IS REQUIRED BY CSCE RESULTS, BEARING IN MIND THAT MORE SPEIFIC MEASURES MAY BE DEVELOPED IN MBFR.

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